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In re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 1732
Zhen et al.) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Serial No.: 10/038,964)
Filed: 12/31/2001))
For: METHOD OF MAKING A GRADED INDEX POLYMER OPTICAL FIBER)))

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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